

ONE DEAD, 3 HURT IN MYSTERY BLAST

Hungarian Believed to Have Been Making Bomb to Destroy Plant

DYNAMITE SUPPLY FOUND

PITTSBURGH, April 21.—One man was killed, three other persons were injured, one house was wrecked and windows in several others were broken when a mysterious explosion occurred in a house No. 21, owned by the Superior Fuel Company, at Russellton, and occupied by a number of foreigners late last night.

The dead man is Nick Fellis, thirty-two years old, his residence unknown. He arrived in Russellton two days ago and obtained employment in a mine in that vicinity. The three injured persons were foreigners, occupants of the house which was wrecked. Their identity was not learned this morning. They are reported to have been seriously hurt.

Guards placed about the wrecked dwelling last night were maintaining a strict watch today and officers were allowed on the premises pending the completion of the investigation. An effort will be made to recover the Hungarian's effects from the wreckage in the belief that something may be learned of the man's past.

He is said to have spent most of his time in his room, seldom associating with the other residents.

Yesterday he called at the company store near the mine and asked for twenty sticks of dynamite. Refused this amount, owing to the restrictions on the sale of explosives to foreigners, the man said he wanted ten of the sticks for himself and ten for his partner. He was given the dynamite.

An investigation disclosed that the man had no partner, and it is believed that the nineteen sticks of dynamite found in the wreckage of the house were the remnants of the amount purchased by the man. Authorities believe that another powerful explosive must have aided in the blast, pointing out that a single stick of dynamite could not have caused the damage resulting from the explosion.

TELEGRAM THE CLUE IN EDDYSTONE PROBE

"The Explosion Occurred Today, Our Bunch Safe," Read Message Sent to New York

A telegram announcing "The explosion occurred today, our bunch is safe" was followed up by Federal, State and local authorities who are investigating the explosion at the Eddystone Ammunition Corporation's plant, when 138 men and girls were killed or seriously injured.

Mr. Myers, of New York, received the telegram, which was signed by a foreigner. The telegraph operator who received it for transmission from Eddystone did not at first realize the significance of the word "the" that started the message instead of the word "an" which would have been the natural manner of expression.

It gradually dawned upon him, however, that the message had been written as though the explosion had been awaited by Myers, and he at once drew attention of the authorities to the matter. A copy of the telegram was given to Coroner Drewes, and New York detectives began following out the clue.

The telegraph operator has been trying to recall the identity of the sender of the telegram without success. Authorities at Chester and Eddystone are attempting also to find connection between the arrest of two men in Pittsburgh, one of whom is a high official in a munitions plant, and the explosion at the Eddystone plant.

Although the significance of the word "the" has not been divulged by Government agents, who made the arrest in Pittsburgh late yesterday, facts known to investigators seem to point to a definite connection with a "plot."

It also became known today that a foreigner working in the "Old F" building, which was the plant wrecked, had \$500 in gold on the day of the explosion. Discovery of several 10 gold pieces in the ruins has caused detectives to trace his outside movements previous to the explosion, and strengthens the theory that men outside planned the affair, which was later engineered from the inside of the plant.

Captain Wilhelm, vice president and general manager of the corporation, after working out a plan with his superintendent, planned the affair, which was later engineered from the inside of the plant.

Struck by a trolley car, seven-year-old Sidney Oxman, of 733 Jackson street, was seriously injured while playing near the Key Public School, Eighth and Wolf streets. He was taken to the Methodist Hospital. The car had to be taken from the tracks to remove the injured boy, who had become wedged underneath.

A FLAG WAS PRESENTED to the Fox Chase School by Washington Camp No. 349, P. O. S. of A., last night. D. L. Husted, Jr., president of the camp, made the presentation speech. H. G. Dornheim, principal of the school, gave the address of acceptance. There were other speeches by the Rev. H. W. Block and Dr. G. W. Flounders, of the Board of Education.



MISS GRACE S. EWING

PHILADELPHIA GIRL WEDS U. S. NAVY LIEUTENANT

Miss Grace S. Ewing, a Student at Wellesley College, Becomes Bride. Surprises Her Friends

Word of the marriage of Miss Grace S. Ewing, of Philadelphia, and Lieutenant Barnet McComb, U. S. N., was received here today from Wellesley College, where Miss Ewing was a prominent student.

Mrs. McComb, whose home was at 3226 Chestnut street, was treasurer of the Wellesley College athletic association, secretary of the class of 1918 and a member of the joint council. Recently she was elected captain of the Junior Indoor track team. The marriage, which was performed Tuesday at the home of a sister in Lunenburg, Mass., came as a surprise to her friends, both here and in Wellesley.

It had been thought that she would finish her studies, which would have been completed next year. The couple will make their home at Jacksonville, Fla., where Lieutenant McComb is stationed.

ELKTON MARRIAGE LICENSES

Twenty-six Couples, 16 of Them From Philadelphia, Get Permits

ELKTON, Md., April 21.—Twenty couples were granted marriage licenses here this morning. Philadelphia alone furnished thirteen of the day's number of brides. They were: Francis Gibbs and Margaret Mahan, George A. Shriner and Anna M. Pearce, Norman E. Broadwell and Florence Geisel, Thomas McKale and Virginia Coyle, Robert A. Robinson and Mary J. Beatty, Arthur P. Cue and Marie Wright, John D. Boyce and Deborah Fritz, Harry E. Pearce and Mary Robertson, Oscar Schmidt and Helen Goldrey, Harry Katz and Frances Spivak, George Hoff and Lola Wolfe, Fred J. Weber and Anna Hatley, Howard P. Hughes and Katherine Haebler, all of Philadelphia.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

All men married since the outbreak of the war will be considered as single and subject to registration as single men, according to a ruling made April 18 by the War Department.

George H. Taber, Jr., Pittsburgh, Pa., and Elizabeth I. Brown, 4332 Pine st. Charles Wide, Sully and Rowland aves., and Edna M. Foster, Tacoma.

John Spiesowski, 306 N. American st., and Magdalena Formosa, 306 N. American st. Francis Marzetti, 2324 N. 5th st., and Mary J. Graham, 2128 N. Warwick st.

Charles E. Harba, 3117 N. Coulter st., and Eleanor Baker, 117 Allen lane. Clarence J. Salisbury, 1942 Columbia ave., and Letitia Smith, 1942 Columbia ave.

Charles H. Mohr, Erdenheim, Pa., and Erna O. Wolf, 2324 N. 5th st. George P. Carter, 1803 Madison ave., and Eulalia M. Alloway, 1527 Woodstock st.

George Anderson, 3105 Chestnut ave., and Elizabeth Stoll, 2004 E. Pacific st. Michael Harrington, 419 N. 24th st., and Katie Walsh, Bingham Hotel.

Edwin C. Theater, Pa., and Elizabeth H. Cooper, 3296 Kensington ave. Carl Barts, 448 N. American st., and Matilda R. Strake, 5718 N. American st.

William Gardner, 260 S. 47th st., and Hannah Moinabahn, 210 Sansom st. Alexander S. Campbell, 2227 Seybert st., and John P. Edinger, 727 Sansom st.

OLD GLORY UNFURLED TO BREEZE BY CHURCH AND FACTORY HANDS

Thousands of Patriotic Citizens Reverence American Flag in Various Parts of City

Thousands of people revered Old Glory in many flag-raising festivities in and outside of Philadelphia today.

A mass-meeting and patriotic rally was held under the auspices of the Haddington Improvement Association at Sixtieth street, Girard and Haycraft avenues. A parade preceded the meeting. It was headed by a battalion of marines from the Philadelphia Navy Yard. Residents and patriotic societies marched and with them were more than 5000 pupils from schools in the neighborhood.

Ex-Congressman J. Washington Logue, Mayor Smith and George Wentworth Carr, preparedness advocates, and Governor Brumbaugh were on the speakers' list. The parade started at 3 o'clock from the Church of the Holy Spirit, on Fifty-fifth street and Girard avenue. The route of the march was through streets nearby until the whole Haddington section was covered. Among the organizations that took part were a number of G. A. R. posts, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Patriotic Order Sons of America and a number of others.

Speeches were made from a grandstand on Haycraft avenue near Sixtieth street. School children occupied Carroll Park, which was reserved for them. Patriots representing the nation, State and city spoke this afternoon at a flag-raising at the Church of the Holy Spirit, Twenty-seventh street and Girard avenue, under the auspices of the Boys' Brigade of the church.

Congressman George W. Edmonds, State Senator A. F. Dix, Jr., and Select Councilman Richard Wiegman were on the speakers' list. Winfield Scott Post, No. 114, G. A. R., served as a guard of honor. Select Councilman Westcott made the presentation address, and the flag was accepted by Otto Kraus, Jr.

Two thousand workmen at Baldwin's participated in a flag-raising in front of the plant at Broad and Spring Garden streets shortly after noon. Addresses were made by P. S. Chappel, superintendent of the Willow street shops; Richard Mathison, assistant superintendent of the plant, and Captain Edward McEhan, of the First Pennsylvania Infantry. Hunt's thirteen-year-old boy pulled the string that unfurled the flag.

Reading Railway employees raised a flag over the Philadelphia and Reading office building at the northwest corner of Ninth and Spring Garden streets. D. F. S. Ferris gave the invocation, and addresses were made by Hector Mansfield, a veteran of the Spanish-American War, and Harry E. Paisley, treasurer of the road. Miss Catherine Steele unfurled the flag. The arrangements were in charge of J. V. McClellan, supervisor of signals.

Girls of the William F. Taubel Manufacturing Company, Second street below Montgomery, participated in a flag-raising at the plant after noon today. SIX FLAGS RAISED AT CRAMPS' Machinists, iron workers, carpenters, boiler-makers, blacksmiths, painters and drydock hands ceased work noon and paid homage at the raising of six American flags at the Cramp Shipyards. Each flag was hauled into the wind by a representative of a consolidation of eight departments.

Following a parade of more than 1000 employees from the William Cramp & Sons Ship and Engine Building Company, led by Cramps' band, to the Kensington plant, the Rev. H. Watson Barra delivered the invocation and opening address.

Howard Fisher was master of ceremonies. William Rowen, Board of Education, and Harry Waters, auditor of the P. R. R., also spoke. Between speeches, and just before the flags were raised, "America" and the "Star Spangled Banner" were sung by the entire gathering. Music was directed by W. J. Mathias, of the Kensington drydock. A salute was fired at close of the festivities.

Recently more than five flags have been raised at the Kensington shipyards without ceremony. SALUTE FLAG AT PRUYN WORKS More than fifty employees of the Pruyin Ball Bearing Works assembled at 12:30 to take part in raising the Stars and Stripes. Walter C. Pruyin and J. Ernest Pruyin, Jr., sons of the proprietors, raised the flag. Charles D. Bryn made a speech of presentation to the employees, and J. Ernest Pruyin answered for the firm. The Rev. Dr. J. B. Laird, First Presbyterian Church of Frankford, delivered the invocation and address. A salute was fired as the flag floated in the wind.

Managers were ablaze with flags. Two little girls pulled the string which raised the Stars and Stripes above the building of the Industrial Worsted Company, Main street and Green lane at 11:30 a. m. They were Margaret Patchett, four years old, and her cousin, three-year-old Carrie Patchett, daughters of William and Morris Patchett, officials of the company. The address was given by the Rev. Albert Stork, of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church.

At noon, more than 500 employees cheered when a large flag-raising took place at the building of the Philadelphia Paper Company, in Manayunk. An address was made by John Jacobs, manager of the company.

ANNOUNCEMENT

NOTWITHSTANDING the constant increase in the cost of the materials used in the construction of our cars and bodies, ever since the breaking out of the European war we have steadfastly refrained from increasing our selling prices; in fact, in March, 1915, we reduced the list price of our chassis from \$1850 to \$1650.

The European war has lasted beyond all expectations, and with each succeeding month prices have gone higher. The demand for raw materials has grown beyond normal bounds, stimulated first by the needs of the Allied Powers and now vastly augmented by the military demands of our own country.

There is a marked shortage of materials at rapidly increasing prices. If this condition continues, we will find it absolutely necessary to increase, without further notice, the prices of our chassis, bodies and parts.

THE AUTOCAR COMPANY ARDMORE, PA.

LAMP OF ALADDIN ILLUMINES CIRCUS

Colorful Pageant Will Give Zest to Barnum & Bailey Show Week After Next

The Barnum and Bailey circus, which will be here the week after next, at Nineteenth street and Hunting Park avenue, promises a pageant of extraordinary beauty in coloring and settings. "Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp" is the title of the new presentation. It is described as a series of beautiful tableaux illustrating the important events in the life of the poor Chinese boy who gained possession of the magic lamp, and thereby commanded the genie of limitless gifts.

From Aladdin's first rub of the lamp to the realization of his desire to marry the fairest princess of his land, the circus pageant pictures the story. The wedding scene is presented in the center of the big arena, where it can be seen from every seat under the big top. Preceding the ceremony there is a wedding procession in which more than 1000 men, women and children and 500 animals will be seen. The costuming of the pageant is described as being more gorgeous than anything of the kind ever attempted before. There are 100 costumes made of silks, satins and brocades, by Chinese workers. These are embellished with hundreds of yards of "chinese embroidery" said to be worthy of the attention of connoisseurs in art needlework.

The story of Aladdin is taken from the tales of the "Arabian Nights" and probably is the best known of all fairy stories. Its possibilities for coloring and spectacular effects make it essentially a circus production, there being no stationary auditorium

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COAL MINERS GAIN Big Wage Increase

Continued from Page One that hope of a settlement was impossible and that the conference was a waste of time. All agreed that if an advance in wages is made the consumer will be forced to pay more for his coal. Several operators announced that coal dealers would find it impossible to supply coal at the low summer prices.

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ANTHRACITE CONFERENCE REACHES NO DECISION

NEW YORK, April 21.—Conferees here between representatives of 175,000 anthracite coal miners and mine operators of seven Pennsylvania counties over the miners' demand for a 20 per cent increase probably will extend into next week.

While each side insisted no position would be adopted that would threaten a strike in the hands of the Government in war time, it apparently was taking considerable time to reach a common ground. Announcement came from the conference room this afternoon that it was virtually certain no agreement could be reached today. It was said that if a deadlock develops the question probably will be referred to mediators.

Arrest Workman for Insult to Flag CHESTER, Pa., April 21.—Accused of insulting the American flag by throwing it on the floor and uttering disparaging remarks, Lewis Tate, a Chester Shipbuilding Company employe, was given a hearing before Magistrate William Leary in City Hall and held pending further investigation. Indignant workmen who witnessed the act rushed upon him and had him sent to the city jail.



Give Your Woodwork the Same Rich Finish Your Furniture Has

If you have handsome new furniture, don't spoil its effect by a cheap, out-of-date finish on your woodwork. It can have the same beautiful, full-rubbed finish your furniture has—and at very slight cost. Lucas Velvo-Tone Finish—a wonderful new wood finish—in one operation stains, varnishes and produces a rich, soft, hand-rubbed effect like that of all high priced furniture. You can easily do the work yourself; no skill is necessary. Use it on old chairs and tables, too; on all furniture with the old fashioned and unattractive highly varnished or flat Mission finishes.

Velvo-Tone comes in nine shades—Old Oak, Golden Oak, Fumed Oak, Weathered Oak, Mahogany, Cherry Fruit, Zarina Green, Black Flemish, Natural.

These Dealers Have It:

- PHILADELPHIA—CENTRAL DISTRICT
F. A. Mitchell, 20th & Callowhill Sts.
Sunnyside Hardware Co., 1238 Market St.
S. S. Sponner & Co., 12th & Market Sts.
Gimbel Brothers, 9th & Market Sts.
B. W. Richards, 2210 Lancaster Ave.
Zimmerman Hardware Co., 431 Market St.
Zimmerman Hardware Co., 23 N. 9th St.
Wm. E. Hinch, 1700 Market St.
L. H. Brothers, 7th & Market Sts.
Rimes Drug Co., 13 S. 8th St.
M. Jackson, 1541 Vine St.
P. E. Miller, 234 S. 12th St.
PHILADELPHIA—NORTHEAST DISTRICT
M. L. Keruan, 2027 Frankford Ave.
A. W. Davis, Memphis & Cumberland Sts.
Boyer Bros., 332 N. 9th St.
Wm. Hirdinger, Jr., 4018 N. 9th St.
Morrison & Co., 22nd & Brice Sts.
N. Sverinsson, 527 E. Allegheny Ave.
Speranza Brothers, 23rd & Chester Ave.
Bridge Hardware Co., Ticon & G Sts.
J. E. Boardman, 3620 Longshore St.
P. G. Clark, 4014 Torresdale Ave.
Richard Koris, 3801 N. 9th St.
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